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## Gentlemen,

My family nor I have never worked for or had any connection to the Microsoft Co. and I do not own any Microsoft stock. My only connection is that I have a personal computer that uses Microsoft software.

It has always been my opinion that to penalize Microsoft for improving its software for the benefit of its customers is crazy. The freedom to innovate and provide better software should be rewarded not penalized.

The only reason for these lawsuits is to benefit the attorneys and the politicians who support Microsoft's competitors.

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